

**In the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.-12. **(Canceled)**

13. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[12]]~~ 16 further comprising a tube connected to an inlet of the pump and extending into a lower end of the oil tank.

14. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 13 further comprising a float slidably engaged to the tube and constructed to indicate a level of oil in the oil tank.

15. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[12]]~~ 16 further comprising:  
a manifold connected to receive oil from the oil tank and in fluid communication with the engine; and  
a pressure switch connected to the manifold to monitor oil pressure to the engine.

16. **(Currently Amended)** ~~The outboard motor of claim 12 further comprising:~~ An outboard motor comprising:  
a two-stroke direct fuel injected engine mounted on a midsection of the outboard motor;  
a housing positioned about the engine;  
an oil tank positioned in the housing;  
a pump disposed within the oil tank and in fluid communication with the engine;  
a plurality of oil lines extending from the oil tank to the engine; and  
an oil line shield constructed to secure a portion of the plurality of oil lines to prevent the plurality of oil lines from rubbing against the engine during motor operation.

17. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[12]]~~ 16 wherein the oil tank is constructed of two molded halves, joined by a weld, and wherein one ~~[[halve]]~~ half has two openings at an upper end, one of the openings ~~to threadedly~~ to receive a sealing cap ~~thereon~~ to fill therein for filling the oil tank.

18. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim 17 wherein the oil tank is generally L-shaped having a longitudinal section and a lateral section and wherein the lateral section has ~~the~~ the filler opening therein.

19. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~12~~ 16 wherein the pump is mounted to a distribution manifold at one end and a float at another end to form a one-piece assembly insertable into the oil tank.

20. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 19 wherein the one-piece assembly includes a pliable seal at an upper end to engage an opening in the oil tank and provide an oil seal therebetween.

21. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 20 wherein the one-piece assembly further comprises a plurality of wires extending outwardly from the pliable seal.

22. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 19 further comprising an opening in the oil tank having a diameter that is greater than an outer diameter of the one-piece assembly.

23. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~12~~ 16 wherein the oil tank is sized according to engine size and wherein the oil tank is capable of holding an average year's supply of oil.

24. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~12~~ 16 wherein the oil tank has a 0.02 Liter/HP to 0.05 Liter/HP capacity.

25. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~12~~ 16 further comprising an oil distribution hub having an inlet in fluid communication with the pump and having a plurality of outlets, at least one outlet fluidly connected to the engine.

26. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 25 wherein the plurality of outlets are quick connects.

27. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim [[12]] 16 wherein the engine and the housing form a cavity constructed to receive the oil tank therein.

28. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim [[12]] 16 wherein the oil tank is a sole oil source.

29. **(Currently Amended)** ~~The outboard motor of claim 12 wherein the pump further comprises:~~ An outboard motor comprising:

a two-stroke direct fuel injected engine mounted on a midsection of the outboard motor;

a housing positioned about the engine;

an oil tank positioned in the housing; and

a pump disposed within the oil tank and in fluid communication with the engine;

the pump comprising:

a drive section and a pump section; and

a drive assembly disposed in the drive section, the drive assembly including at least one permanent magnet and a coil assembly disposed within ~~the~~ a magnetic field of the at least one permanent magnet, the coil assembly movable reciprocally axially along a central axis upon application of power to the coil assembly.

30. **(Canceled)**

31. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim [[30]] 40 wherein the oil container has a lateral portion and a vertical portion.

32. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 31 wherein each portion of the oil container has an opening.

33. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 31 wherein the vertical portion further comprises a pair of bosses vertically offset from one another for mounting the oil container to the engine.

34. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 33 wherein the vertical portion further comprises another boss horizontally offset from the pair of bosses for mounting the oil container to the engine.

35. **(Original)** The outboard motor of claim 31 wherein a depth of the vertical portion is greater than a length of the lateral portion.

36. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[30]]~~ 40 wherein the oil container has a shape that substantially matches a shape of the cavity.

37. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[30]]~~ 40 further comprising at least one boss integrally formed with the oil container and configured to secure the oil container to the engine.

38. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[30]]~~ 40 wherein a pressure switch and a float are enclosed in the oil container.

39. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[30]]~~ 40 wherein the oil container is a sole source of oil.

40. **(Currently Amended)** ~~The outboard motor of claim 30 wherein the pump further comprises:~~ An outboard motor comprising:

an engine disposed within a housing of the outboard motor and forming a cavity between a portion of the engine and the housing;

an oil container disposed in the cavity between the engine and the housing; and

a pump enclosed in the oil container; the pump comprising:

a drive section and a pump section; and

a drive assembly disposed in the drive section, the drive assembly including at least one permanent magnet and a coil assembly disposed within the a magnetic field of the at least one permanent magnet, the coil assembly movable reciprocally axially along a central axis upon application of power to the coil assembly.

41. **(Previously Presented)** The outboard motor of claim 29 wherein the drive assembly is in electrical communication with an ECU and is driven by a PWM signal.

42. **(Previously Presented)** The outboard motor of claim 14 wherein the float is electrically connected to an ECU and wherein, if the float indicates the level of oil is below a predetermined level, the ECU controls the engine in a limp-home mode.

43. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[12]]~~ 16 further comprising:  
an ECU; and  
a pressure switch connected to an outlet of the pump and to the ECU to indicate oil pressure from the pump.

44. **(Previously Presented)** The outboard motor of claim 40 wherein the pump is in electrical communication with an ECU and is driven by a PWM signal.

45. **(Currently Amended)** ~~The outboard motor of claim 38~~  
An outboard motor comprising:  
an engine disposed within a housing of the outboard motor and forming a cavity  
between a portion of the engine and the housing;  
an oil container disposed in the cavity between the engine and the housing; and  
a pump enclosed in the oil container;  
wherein a pressure switch and a float are enclosed in the oil container;  
wherein the float is electrically connected to an ECU and wherein, if the float indicates an oil level below a predetermined level, the ECU controls the engine in a limp-home mode.

46. **(Currently Amended)** The outboard motor of claim ~~[[30]]~~ 40 further comprising:  
an ECU; and  
a pressure switch connected to an outlet of the pump and to the ECU to indicate oil pressure from the pump.